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SUBJECT: VISIT BY CAR MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE

REF: A) BANGUI 1458; B) BANGUI 1417; C) STATE 267765

1. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE REGRETS MINISTER DASILVA'S INABILITY TO KEEP JANUARY 22 APPOINTMENT WITH SECRETARY BUTZ. USDA WILLING TO ATTEMPT RESCHEDULE VISIT FOR APRIL BUT WILL DO SO ONLY WHEN DASILVA'S TRAVEL PLANS ARE FIRM. WILL NEED APPROXIMATELY TWO WEEKS ADVANCE NOTICE OF DASILVA'S FIRM COMMITMENT TO TRAVEL IN ORDER TO SET UP PROGRAM AND ARRANGE APPOINTMENT WITH SECRETARY BUTZ OR SUITABLE ALTERNATIVE. BELIEVE IT PREMATURE TO ATTEMPT SCHEDULE APRIL APPOINTMENT AT THIS TIME.

2. DOLS 1,500 MENTIONED ORIGINALLY IN REFTEL C WAS SIMPLY MAXIMUM ESTIMATE COMPUTED ON BASIS OF EXPECTATION THAT DA SILVA VISIT WOULD BE FOR 21 DAYS. REFTEL B STATES, HOWEVER, THAT VISIT WILL ONLY BE 7-10 DAYS. SUCH SHORTER STAY BY DA SILVA DOES NOT MEAN THAT SUFFICIENT FUNDS WOULD THEREBY BE RELEASED TO COVER EXPENSES OF HIS TWO ASSISTANTS. THERE ARE NO ADDITIONAL FUNDS AVAILABLE IN PROGRAM FOR FY-75 (REFTEL C) AND IN ANY CASE DO NOT BELIEVE NOMINATION

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OF GOMBAKO AND MANJEKA AS IV GRANTEES COULD BE JUSTIFIED

SIMPLY FOR PURPOSE OF THEIR ACCOMPANYING MINISTER. KISSINGER

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